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- 1. RECENT DECISION BY U.S. COURTS WILL ALLOW U.S. FISHERMEN TO SET ON PORPOISE WHILE FISHING FOR TUNA, ACCORDING TO CERTAIN CONSERVATION GUIDELINES, WITHOUT WAITING FOR FINAL COMMERCE DEPT. REGULATIONS TO BECOME EFFECTIVE. SINCE ACTUAL SURVEILLANCE WORK EXPLAINED REFTEL WAS INTENDED TO ENSURE THAT U.S. TUNA VESSELS DID NOT SET ON PORPOISE, IT IS NOT NECESSARY FOR DEPT. COMMERCE TO CONDUCT FLIGHTS AT THIS TIME. T;US POSTS NEED NOT SEEK LANDING PERMISSION AS REQUESTED REFTEL.
- 2. SHOULD COURT DECISION BE OVERRULED DEPT. MAY AGAIN UNCLASSIFIED

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BE REQUESTED TO SEEK PERMISSION FROM MEXICO AND COSTA RICA TO LAND AIRCRAFT AS OUTLINED REFTEL. ALSO, AFTER U.S. FLEET CATCHES FULL AMOUNT OF PORPOISE QUOTA, POSSIBLY SOMETIME NEXT FALL, U.S. AUTHORITIES MAY WISH TO PURSUE SIMILAR ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM. VANCE

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